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In re Patent Application of

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For: COMPACT ORONASAL PATIENT INTERFACE

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Commissioner for Patents P.O. Box 1450 Alexandria, VA 22313-1450

Sir:

RESPONSE TO RESTRICTION REQUIREMENT

Response to the Official Action of October 29, 2009, and the requirement for restriction presented in it, applicants elect the subject matter of Group I, that is claims 1-31 and 38-54 directed to a patient interface including a mouth covering cushion.

The election is made without traverse.

The Commissioner is authorized to charge the undersigned's deposit account #14-1140 in whatever amount is necessary for entry of these papers and the continued pendency of the captioned application.

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Should the Examiner feel that an interview with the undersigned would facilitate allowance of this application, the Examiner is encouraged to contact the undersigned.

Respectfully submitted,

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